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DECLARATION OF JIAO GIAI LI UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.132

I, Jiao Gai Li, am a named inventor of the patent application no. 09/036,173 reference above. I understand that certain claims of the application have been rejected as being indefinite for use of the term "multi-effect triazole," which is abbreviated MET.

I hereby state that is well known to those of skill in the art of plant tissue culture that the term "multi-effect triazole" or "MET" is the common name for a plant growth regulator having the common name PACLOBUTRAZOL; IUPAC name (2R,3R)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-2-(1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl) pentan-3-ol; CAS: rel-(α R, β R)- β -[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]- α -(1,1-dimethylethyl)-1-H-1,2,4-triazole-1-ethanol.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Signed this day of May 19, 2005

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